

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims

1. (Cancelled)
2. (Cancelled)
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10. (Cancelled)

11. (Previously amended) A method of manufacture of artificial turf comprising:

pre-stressing a plurality of resilient first fibers such that said pre-stressed first fibers have a non-linear shape with substantially horizontal lateral excursions when not under tension, and sewing into a backing a plurality of said pre-stressed first fibers and a plurality of second fibers, shaped to resemble grass blades, wherein at least one first and at least one second fiber are sewn through common openings in said backing, and extend upward from said backing to a cut end.

12. (Original) A method as recited in claim 11 wherein said first fibers extend upward from said backing a first height and said second fibers extend upward from said backing a second height greater than said first height.

13. (Original) A method as recited in claim 12 further comprising inserting particles including resilient granules in said turf.

14. (Original) A method as recited in claim 12 wherein said second height is in the range of 2 to 3 inches, and said first height is in the range of $1\frac{3}{4}$ to $2\frac{3}{4}$ inches.

15. (Original) A method as recited in claim 13 wherein a layer of said granules extends upward from said backing a height less than said first height.

16. (Original) A method as recited in claim 15 wherein said lateral excursions of said first fiber provide resistance to motion of said particles.

17. (Original) A method as recited in claim 16 wherein groups of said first fibers are spaced apart such that lateral excursions of first fibers of one group overlap lateral excursions of first fibers of an adjacent group thereby providing a mesh for resisting movement of said particles.

18. (Original) A method as recited in claim 17 wherein said groups of first fibers are in rows separated by distances in the range of 3/8" to 3/4".

19. (Original) A method as recited in claim 11 wherein said first fiber is made from nylon.

20. (Original) A method as recited in claim 11 wherein said second fiber is made from polyethylene.